

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(18)

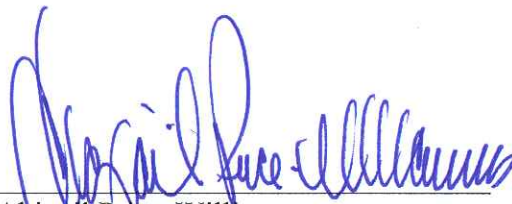
TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 6, 2016

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to collaborate with the Children's Trust, Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the City of Miami to develop and provide a sustainable, long-term funding commitment for a New Youth Gun Violence Outreach and Intervention Program to engage extremely at-risk youth in concentrated areas located primarily within the City of Miami; providing that such program shall have measureable outcomes and can serve as a model which may be replicated in other areas of Miami-Dade County; and directing the County Mayor to provide certain reports concerning any funding commitments and program outcomes

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Jean Monestime.


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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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7-6-16

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO COLLABORATE WITH THE CHILDREN'S TRUST, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE CITY OF MIAMI TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE A SUSTAINABLE, LONG-TERM FUNDING COMMITMENT FOR A NEW YOUTH GUN VIOLENCE OUTREACH AND INTERVENTION PROGRAM TO ENGAGE EXTREMELY AT-RISK YOUTH IN CONCENTRATED AREAS LOCATED PRIMARILY WITHIN THE CITY OF MIAMI; PROVIDING THAT SUCH PROGRAM SHALL HAVE MEASUREABLE OUTCOMES AND CAN SERVE AS A MODEL WHICH MAY BE REPLICATED IN OTHER AREAS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REPORTS CONCERNING ANY FUNDING COMMITMENTS AND PROGRAM OUTCOMES

WHEREAS, in an effort to address and curtail youth gun violence in Miami-Dade County, the County should partner with The Children's Trust, Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the City of Miami to develop and fund a new youth gun violence outreach and intervention program to engage extremely at-risk youth; and

WHEREAS, according to the Children's Defense Fund, homicide is the top cause of death for young black men, and black children and teens were 17 times more likely to die from a gun as a white child of the same age; and

WHEREAS, although national and state led efforts are needed, the Annie E. Casey Foundation recognizes the efficacy of locally led community efforts to transform a community from within; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond, California, provides an example of a successful locally led community approach to ameliorate gun violence; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, with a homicide rate of 45.9 per 100,000 residents, the City of Richmond, California, was considered one of the nation's most dangerous cities (US Department of Justice UCR data, 2008); and

WHEREAS, beginning in 2007, in response to these dire statistics, to strengthen and improve the safety and well-being of the Richmond community and in an effort to deal with the epidemic of gun violence, the City began to provide a group of youth and young men identified as being at high-risk for involvement in gun violence with community-level and individual-level services; and

WHEREAS, through street outreach workers and trained civic leaders, who were familiar in and with the community, many of whom also had criminal histories, the City of Richmond successfully engaged the young men identified as being likely to be involved in gun violence; and

WHEREAS, currently, the City of Richmond is working with 150 to 200 of these youth and young men per year; and

WHEREAS, recent statistics reveal the success of the City of Richmond's efforts, as reflected by 16 homicides in 2013, the lowest number documented in 33 years, and its lowest homicide rate – 14.9 per 100,000 residents – in the City's recorded history (Rogers, 2014; US Department of Justice UCR data, 2014); and

WHEREAS, like the City of Richmond, California in 2007, Miami-Dade County's current crime statistics related to youth who are victims of gun violence are equally grim; and

WHEREAS, in the last 15 months, 46 children and youth have been killed in Miami-Dade County, according to The Children's Trust Youth Violence Prevention Report dated April 2016; and

WHEREAS, as reflected on the attached map prepared by The Children's Trust based on statistics from the Miami-Dade County Medical Examiner Department, the record of homicides of children and youth is highly concentrated in specific neighborhoods largely within the jurisdiction of the City of Miami; and

WHEREAS, there were 43 people shot in the Liberty Square area in 2014 with the youngest being 10 years old; and

WHEREAS, a partnership between the County, The Children's Trust, Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the City of Miami, to develop and provide funding for a new youth gun violence outreach and intervention program targeting extremely at-risk youth in communities plagued by gun violence is needed to provide hope and opportunities to extremely at-risk youth who would not otherwise be reached by formal programs; and

WHEREAS, the youth gun violence outreach and intervention program for Miami-Dade County would be patterned after the successful program in Richmond, California, and to increase its chances for success, would be custom-tailored and uniquely crafted to be culturally-sensitive to and reflective of our local population; and

WHEREAS, this initiative would complement existing community based programs offered by the faith-based community, law enforcement, and other entities; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to help reduce youth gun violence by supporting collaborations to guide local community groups in attacking this problem, as well as collaborating with community partners to provide a sustainable, long-term funding commitment that is proven, over time, to result in the achievement of measurable desired outcomes for this effort; and

WHEREAS, although this collaborative effort will initially focus on certain areas primarily concentrated within the City of Miami, this funding and programming model can be replicated in other areas of Miami-Dade County experiencing youth gun violence,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board incorporates the recitals above in this resolution.

Section 2. This Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to collaborate with The Children's Trust, Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the City of Miami to develop and provide a sustainable, long-term funding commitment for a new youth gun violence outreach and intervention program, with measurable desired outcomes, to engage extremely at-risk youth residing in concentrated areas primarily within the City of Miami, as shown on the attached map, which program may include, but not be limited to street outreach and counseling to extremely at-risk children and youth to be provided through community-level programming that is likely to be more effective.

Section 3. This Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute interlocal agreements and other required agreements and documents to effectuate the purposes of this resolution, subject to subsequent approvals by the Board, if such agreements commit funding from Miami-Dade County.

Section 4. This Board further authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to exercise amendments, extensions, renewals, termination, waiver, and other provisions set forth in such agreements and documents necessary to plan and develop the youth gun violence outreach and intervention program, following approval for legal form and

sufficiency by the Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office and subject to subsequent approvals by the Board, if such agreements commit funding from Miami-Dade County.

Section 5. This Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to apply for and receive grant funding that may become available for the youth gun violence outreach and intervention program; provided that the expenditure of any funds for programs developed, planned or implemented to address or engage youth gun violence pursuant to the directives of this Resolution will be subject to subsequent approvals of this Board.

Section 6. The long-term funding commitments sought by this resolution are in addition to, and are not intended to replace or supplant funding currently committed to any other anti-violence, gun violence or similar initiative.

Section 7. This Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide quarterly reports to this Board concerning the progress in developing and providing funding for a new youth gun violence outreach and intervention program in Miami-Dade County on a quarterly basis, commencing the next quarter and every quarter thereafter, until the program has been established. Thereafter, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is directed to provide annual reports on the program. The completed reports required by this resolution shall be placed on an agenda of the Board, pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Jean Monestime. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Dennis C. Moss

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Juan C. Zapata

Daniella Levine Cava

Audrey M. Edmonson

Barbara J. Jordan

Rebeca Sosa

Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of day, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Cynthia Johnson-Stacks
Shanika A. Graves

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